

REMARKS

In the Decision by the Board mailed on May 15, 2009, the Board reversed the pending rejections of claims 1-12. In addition, the Board entered a new ground of rejection with regard to claim 12. In view of the Decision, Applicants have chosen to reopen prosecution by submitting the present amendment. As indicated above, Applicants have canceled claim 12 in view of the new ground of rejection. Accordingly, claims 1-11 remain pending. Based on the Board's reversal of all rejections, there are currently no outstanding rejections. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-11 are now in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

In view of the remarks set forth above, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims. If the Examiner believes that a telephonic interview will help speed this application toward issuance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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